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INVENTION : **Complement C3 Precursor Biopolymer Markers  
Indicative of Alzheimers Disease**  
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Sir:

Applicant and the undersigned attorney received a Notice of Abandonment dated March 1, 2004 for the above-identified patent application in which the Examiner has indicated that the application was abandoned for failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on July 29, 2003. Applicant and the undersigned attorney respectfully request withdrawal of the Notice of Abandonment for the following reason.

Applicant and the undersigned attorney respectfully submit herewith a true and accurate copy of the timely-filed Response as filed on October 29, 2003 as evidenced by a copy of the return postcard receipt date stamped by the Office of Initial Patent Examination (OIPE) on November 3, 2003. Pursuant to a telephone conference with Examiner Chernyshev on March 12, 2004, the Examiner had indicated that a record exists showing receipt of the computer-readable (CRF) version of the sequence listing on November 6, 2003, which was filed along with the Response.

Entry of the attached copy of the Response previously filed on October 29, 2003 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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